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Brief History of the University

- The University of Vilnius was founded in 1578 by Bishop Protaseviciae during the period of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania. With the authorization of King Stephanus Batory and the sanction of Pope Gregory XIII by Papal Bull in 1579, the University was authorized to confer academic degrees, Baccalaurouse Magister, Licenciate, Doctor.
- 2. In the space of a hundred years [1578-1678], the University of Vilnius betame an international center of learning with students and professors coming from Lithuania, Byelorussia, Latvia Ukraine, Poland, Estonia, Sweder, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, France, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Planders, Scotland, and England.
- 3. The Swedish and Russian invasions of the latter half of the 17th century and the early 18th century intervented the University's late, asolating it from the outside world and greatly restricting its academic activities. This period, nevertheless, produced such scholars as the Jesust Skarga; Neo-Letin Poet Scarbievius; Lithuanian Historian Vijukas-Kojelavicius; Lexicographer Sirvydas, Jurist Olizarovius, Astronomer-Architect Zebrys-Zebrauskas and others.
- 4. With the dissolution of the Jesuit Order by Pope Clement XIV in 1773, the University of Vilnius became Schola Princeps Magni Ducatus Lithuaniae Sive Vilnensis. In 1773 there were two faculties, Medicine and Theology, later, four faculties, Ethics-Jurisprudence; Physics; Medicine; Linguistics 2001 Art. In the 19th century there was added a theological seminary. For several decades during the 18th century, the University was administered by the well-known Astronomer Rector Pocobutes, who was also head of the Lithuanian educational system, the University being its seat.
- 5. From 1803, the name of the University was Imperatoria Universitas Vilnensia. The University played a significant role in the cultural and political life of both Lithuania and Poland. It was at the University of Vilnius, that the Lithuanian national renaissance was torn. For these national aspirations, Nicholas I of Russia closed the University, and it was only in 1918 that its doors were again opened, after protests from US Lithuanians and the Lithuanian people themselves.

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During the occupation of Vilnius by the Poles (1918-1939), the University was renamed Stefan Batory, and continued to function under that name until the onset of World War II. The Lithuanians then formed the University of Kaunas (under the Statute of Vilnius University) within Lithuania proper. At the end of the Polish occupation (1939), the University of Vilnius was again returned to the jurisdiction of the Lithuanian Republic. Mykolas Birziska was elected the new president (Rector Magnificus) in 1940. With the Russian advance in June 1940 and the resulting occupation, and again in 1941 during the German occupation, the University of Vilnius became headquarters of the opposition, which pledged loyalty to Lithuania and resistance to the invaders. At this time 1941 the University had six

Faculties

Departments

(a) Humanities

Philology
History
Philosophy

(b) Mathematics and Natural Mathematics
Sciences Physics
Chemistry
Biology
Geology-Geography

(c) Jurisp udence

(d) Economics

(e) Medicine

Pharmacology
Dentistry

(f) Forestry

The University numbered a faculty of about 500 professors of all categories, besides a staff of employees. Its libraries contained over 500 thousand volumes of books and manuscripts.

- 7. The second Russian occupation (1944) resulted in a catastrophe that not only drove the Lithuanians from their native land, but also destroyed their culture and education. The bulk of the faculty of both universities, Kaunas and Vilnius, and other academic institutions of the country, with their thousands of students, fled to the West and today are scattered in twenty countries.
- 8. After 1945 under Russian regime, the University of Vilnius was reorganized into seven faculties as follows:
 - (a) Marxism-Leninism
 - (b) Jurisprudence
 - (c) Economics
 - (d) History-Fhilology
 - (e) Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry
 - (f) Medicine
 - (E) Natural Sciences
- After the first Russian occupation (1941), the faculties were carefully screened for their political orientation towards Communism. Many of the professors remained in Lithuania and are still affiliated with the University. Some of them were dismissed and some were exiled to Siberia.
- 10. The following list of faculty members of the University of Vilcius consists of those who remained after the second Russian occupation in 1944. The list is based on the faculty University organization from 1941-44. The first title following the name indicates the academic rank in 1942-44. The rank indicated under the heading the name indicates the academic rank during the second Russian occupation (1944) andinsofar as I can determine-present rank.

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11. Rector of the University: Bucas, Jonas (see Faculty of Economics) Jankauskas, Steponas (see Faculty of Mathematics and Vice-Rector of the University: Natural Sciences)

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

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NAME	TITLE (1942-44)	AGE .	PRESENT TITLE			
Banevicius, Mykolas	Lecturer in Russian	60	Prof of Russian			
Comment: of Russian or	igin					
Bobianskiene, Lidija	Lecturer in French	60	Prof of History			
Dumcius, Jones	Adjunct of Greek Philolog	y 48	Prof of Classics			
Comment: Was interested	d only in Classics					
Dundulis, Bronius, Dr	Assistant in History of E	urope 48	Prof of General History			
Galaune, Paulius	Asst Prof of History of A	rt 62	Unknown			
Comment: Director of t field of the	Comment: Director of the Art Museum in Kaunas. Has published several books in the field of the Lithuanian Art History. His wife was an opera singer.					
Gucas, Alfonsas	Assistant in Pedagogics	50	Prof and Director of the Institute of Pedagogics in Vilnius			
Jonynas, Ignas	Assoc Prof of History of Lithuania	68	Prof of Russian History			
	elor of Lithuanian Foreign ne field of Lithuanian Hist		published several			
Karsaviras, Lecnas, Dr	Prof of General History	7 1	Seems to be teaching in the Academy of Art at Vilnius			
revolution (: Kaunas: sing	orn 1882 in St Petersburg (1918) emigrated to France. 1940 at University of Vil In Lithuanian he has publi	About 1925 can nius. He has p shed seven volv	ne to University of published many books			

Culture of Europe". After 1944, he was dismissed from the University.

Kruopas, Jonas	Lecturer in Lithuanian language	46	Unknown
Mikenaite, Akvile	Assistant in History of Art	45	Unknown
Mykolaitis, Vincos, Dr	Assoc Prof. States tory of Lithusniga Habitature	59	Unknown

Well known Lithuanian author. He has published under the name Putines, many books: poetry, drams and novel. Refore the Russian Revolution he studied in the Catholic Scainary. During World War I studied at the University of Fribourg (Switzerland). PhD received in Fribourg about 1923. No socialistic or communistic ideas were observed in his writings. One of the most popular Comment: and beloved authors in the country. Among other books published by him: Valdovo Sunus (The Son of the Ruler); Noteris Ir Ziedas (Woman and the Blossom); Altoriu Seselyje (In the Shadows of the Altars); Kunigaikstis Evainys (The Duke Zvainys); Modern Lithuanian Literature.

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	AF	PROXIMATE	
NAME	TITLE (1942-44)	AGE	FRESENT TITLE
Minginas, Jonas	Assistant in Pedagogics	46	Unknown
Miskinis, Motiejus	Assistant in Slavic Languag and Literature	ges 47	Unknown
Comment: Specialized in	Russian Literature.		
Pereckas, Jonas	Assistant in Pedagogics	46	Unknown
Rocka, Marcelinas	Lecturer in Classical Philology	48	Prof of Lithuanian Literature
Sezemanas, Vosylius	Prof of Philosophy	70	Unknown
Comment: He was dismiss	ed from the staff after 1944	•	
Volkaite, Regina	Assistant in Archaeology	45	Unknown
Vorobjovas, Mikalojus	Assistant in History of Ar	t 50	Unknown
Balcikonis, Juozas	Editor of the Dictionary of the Lithuanian Language, published by Academy of Sc of Lithuania. (Volume I put 1942, Volume II published 1946)	iences blished	Editor of the Dictionary of the Lithuanian Lan- guage and Prof of Lithuanian language at the University of Vilnius
and translator	ct of Panevezys (Lith). He . Since 1926 he has been wo nguage (Thesaurus Linguae Lit 20 thousand pages). A man o aclination, he never has admi	rking on the l wanicae - abor f no socialis	ut 20 volumes planned, tic, not to mention

Russian culture. All his translations, particularly in the field of Fairy Tales, are selected from Western authors.

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FACULTY OF ECONOMICS

Acus-Acukas, Jonas	Asst Prof of Economics	58	Prof of Economics (Marketing)
Comment: He was a colonel Bucas, Jonas, Dr	in the Lithuanian Army. Asst Prof of Economics	50	Rector of the University of Vilnius and Prof of Peoples Business Economy

Comment: He has a Jewish wife. Probably for that reason he remained in the country.

Prof of Political Asst Prof of Economics Budrys, Dzidas, Dr Economy

Prof of Peoples Business Assistant in Economics Luksa, Kazimieras Economy

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FACULTY OF JURISPRUDENCE

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	NAME	TITLE (1942-44)	AGE.	PRESENT TITLE
	Jablonskis, Konstantinas,	Dr. Assoc Prof of History of Law	60	Prof of History of State and Law
	Comment: He has publishe Literature and	d several books and mary : Culture.	rticles in Lithu	enien History,
	Kauza, Vincas	Physician, Adjunct in Court /Forensic/ : Medicine	55	Unknown
	FACULT	Y OF MATHEMATICS AND NATU	AL SCIENCES	
14.	Bieliukas, Kazys, Dr	Asst Prof of Geography	50	Prof of Physical Geography
	Brazdziunas, Poviles, Dr.	Assoc. Prof of Experiment Physics	tal 50	Prof of Experimental Physics
	Comment: Former officer Lithuanian Army		ad two brothers, s	also officers in the
	Dagys, Jonas, Dr	Asst Prof of Plant Anatomand Physiology	ny 50	Unknown
	Dalinkevicius, Juozas, Dr	. Assoc Prof of Geology	55	Prof of Geology
	Dauksas, Kazys, Dr	Asst Prof of Chemistry	52	Dean of the Faculty of Chemistry and Prof of Inorganic Chemistry
	Horodnicius, Henrikas	Assistant in Experimenta Physics	1 48	Prof of General Physics and Dean of the Faculty of Physics and Methemsics
	Ivanauskas, Tadas, Dr	Prof of Zoology	70	Prof of Vertebrate Zoology
	brother conside	it nationality. He consi- red himself as White Russ of Polish nationality. The of Vilnius.	ian and the thir	d brother considered
	Jankauskas, Steponas, Dr	Asst Prof of Comparative Anatomy and Embryology	52	Prof of Zoology and Vice-Rector of the University of Viluius
	professors in e	ished in the Lithusnian C exile in Germany urging th appeal in the Lithusnian e ector of the University of	em to return to xile press was g	Lithuania SSR. The
	Jucys, Adolfas, Dr	Asst Prof of Physics	#8	Prof of Theoretical Physics
	Comment: Specialized in	Atomic Physics		
	Kaikarys, Vytautas Marci,	jonas Assistant in Physic Chemistry	al 47	Prof of General Chemistry
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NAME	TITLE (1942-44)	AGE	PRESENT TITLE			
Katilius, Petras, Dr	Assoc Prof of Geometry	50	Prof of Geometry			
Kaveckis, Mykolas Stasy	s, Dr Assoc Prof of Mineralogy and	55	Prof of Mineralogy			
	Crystallography					
Kudaba, Jeronimas	Assistant in Technical Chemistry	46	Prof of Technology of Organic and Inorganic Chemistry			
Matulis, Juozas, Dr	Prof of Chemistry	52	Unknown			
Comment: Studied at the University of Kaunas. After graduation he was sent to Germany. In Leipzig (1930-34) he was a student of the famous German atomic physicist, De Bay. There he received his Doctor's degree. He has published several books in the field of chemistry and physical chemistry. After the second Russian occupation (1944), Matulis was appointed President of Academy of Sciences of Lithuania. As president of the Academy of Sciences, he is often mentioned in the Communist press of the country, is active in Communist conventions. In 1951 he was mentioned as a member of the Communist Party USSR. Before 1940 he was not linked with the leftist or Communist Party groups. He was born in a traditional Lithuanian farming family. He is married to the daughter of one of the founders of the Lithuanian Drug Cc, "Germapo", a Mrs (fau) Malela. At present time he seems not to be teaching at the University of Vilnius.						
Minkevicius, Antanas Dr Assoc Prof of Biology and 52 Prof of Systematics Systematic Botany of the lower plants						
Pavilonis, Silezijus Ber	nignas Physician; Assist in Anatomy	ant 48	Prof of Anatomy and Embryology			
Puodziukynas, Antanas, 1	Or Assoc Prof of Physics	52	Uaknown			
Slezevicius, Kazys	Prof of Geograpies and Meteorology	63	Prof of Meteorology and Climatology			
Comment: He has publish	ned several scientific bo	oke in the field	or meteorology.			
Snarskis, Povilas, Dr	Asst Prof of Systematics of Plants	50	Prof of Darwinism and Genetics			
Stanaitis, Otanas, Dr	Asst Prof of Mathematics	52	Unknown			
Salcius, Petras, Dr	Prof of Economics	60.	Unknown			
Comment: He has published several books and many articles in the field of economics, especially cooperatives.						
Salkauskis, Kazimieras	Assoc Prof of Civil Law and Civil Frocess	70	Unknown			
Sivickis, Pranciskus, Dr	r Prof of Zoology	69	Unknown			
Comment: He has published several books in the field of Zoology and Embryology						
Sopauskas, Jones, Dr	Assoc Prof of Physiology Physiological Chemistr		Prof of Physiology			
Sopauskiene, Albina	Assistant in Anatomy and Physiology of Plants	50	Unknown			

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	NAME	TITLE (1942-44)	AGE	PRESENT TITLE
	Zubrys, Alfonsas, Dr	Assoc Prof of Organic Chemistry	52	Unknown
	Zemaitus, Zigmas	Prof of Mathematics	69	Prof of the Analysis of Mathematics
	Zilinskas, Gerardas, Dr	Assistant in Mathematics	50	Prof of General Mathematics
15.		FACULTY OF MEDICINE		-
	Cepulis, 8 .	Adjunct in Surgical Medi	cine 50	Unknown
	Markulis, Juozas	Assistant in Human Anato	шу 49	Unknown
	Pakonaitis, Pranas	Physician; Orderer of th Clinics	e 52	Prof of Otolaryngology and opthalmology
	Siaulys, Benediktas	Assoc Prof of Pharmacolo	ву 55	Unknown

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